## ABSTRACT

A multi-carrier CDMA communication apparatus that suppresses peak power of a multi-carrier signal while 5 suppressing reduction of the transmission efficiency. Serial/parallel conversion section 101 converts transmission data with a single sequence to transmission data with a plurality of sequences. Spreading sections 102-1 to 102-4 perform spreading processing on 10 transmission data with the 1st to 4th sequence. section 103 multiplexes the transmission data with the 1st to 4th sequence on the 1st to 4th subcarriers respectively to generate a multi-carrier signal. Peak detection section 104 detects peak power of the generated multi-carrier signal. Chip transmission stopping 15 section 105 outputs a multi-carrier signal whose peak power is not greater than a threshold to D/A conversion section 106 using the detection result of peak detection section 104.